



Crop Progress and Condition

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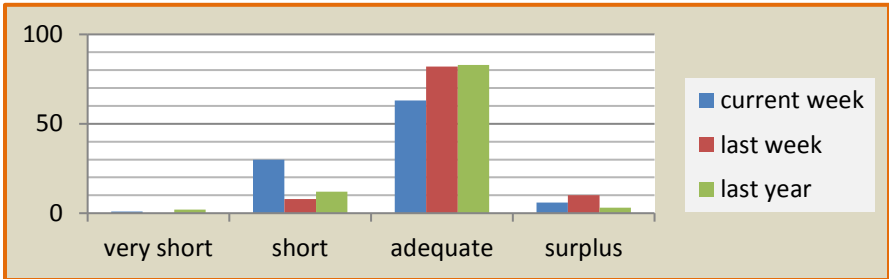
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Weather conditions were drier, precipitation was scattered and amounts varied; several locations had no precipitation. Farming activities this week included making hay, harvesting wheat and picking peaches.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/15/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	1	30	63	6
Subsoil	-	28	69	3

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 07/15/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 07/15/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	20	70	9
Peaches	-	1	29	68	2
Corn	4	6	21	57	12
Hay	-	6	31	60	3
Soybeans	-	1	7	88	4
Winter Wheat	1	4	29	49	17
Pasture	-	6	38	47	9
Cattle & Calves	-	-	25	62	13
Sheep & Lambs	-	3	10	80	7

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 07/15/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Peaches harvested	2	-	5	3
Corn planted	94	90	99	100
Corn emerged	84	81	99	97
Corn silking	4	-	20	19
Hay first cut	92	83	95	84
Hay second cut	3	-	3	1
Soybeans planted	85	80	99	98
Soybeans emerged	79	74	94	92
Winter Wheat headed	95	93	99	99
Winter Wheat harvested	54	38	72	54

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending July 15, 2018

The temperatures in West Virginia remained slightly above normal for the week in a few locations with the rest of the area remaining very seasonable. High pressure dominated the week until Sunday when a frontal system started to affect the area. Most of the area was completely dry for the week; until the end of the week, the only areas that received a significant amount of rainfall were Elkins and Clarksburg. Most of the total rainfall came from the last day of the week. Isolated convective activity and the frontal system being nearby were the main cause. The Southern and Southwestern parts of the State remain below average for rainfall. However, the rest of the area remains wetter than normal.

Temperatures: Keyser and Williamson had the highest recorded temperature of 95 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 48 degrees. The state average temperature was 74 degrees.

Precipitation: Keyser had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.69 inches. Several locations had zero recorded precipitation. The state average precipitation was 0.24 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 07/15/18									
Temperature					Precipitation				
Station	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Total	Week's Norm	Since April 1st 2018	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	90	59	74	2	0.01	0.97	19.46	18.64	13.89
PARKERSBURG	89	59	75	0	0.02	0.99	14.08	18.21	13.80
CRESTON	93	56	75		0.02		14.53	15.44	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	89	58	75	2	0.07	1.09	15.68	19.61	14.54
CLARKSBURG	92	57	76	3	0.39	1.29	16.72	22.23	15.10
BELINGTON	94	57	74		0.00		21.30	17.79	
WESTON	91	59	75		0.00		22.25	19.61	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	95	61	79		0.00		13.11	23.30	
HUNTINGTON	91	63	78	2	0.00	1.05	12.73	16.25	14.36
CHARLESTON	93	59	77	1	0.00	1.14	12.87	17.32	14.86
RIPLEY	93	56	75		0.02		15.22	15.58	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	83	55	70		0.28		22.80	23.39	
ELKINS	86	57	72	2	0.39	1.27	21.60	15.47	16.26
MARLINTON	88	51	71		1.54		16.68	17.37	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	85	48	70	-1	0.17	1.16	12.88	19.66	14.60
PINEVILLE	89	54	75		0.00		14.43	23.69	
BLUEFIELD	88	50	72	-1	0.00	0.97	11.65	22.10	14.07
WHITE SUL SP	88	49	71		0.22		14.86	15.31	
BLUESTONE DAM	88	58	73		0.50		13.60	17.03	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	92	55	75	0	0.00	0.83	21.61	16.37	13.14
KEYSER	95	52	73		1.69		22.33	17.17	
MOOREFIELD	91	53	73		0.00		16.07	12.41	
State Average Temperature	74								
State Average Precipitation	0.24								

Source:
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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